

REFORM OF THE NATION'S BANKING AND FINANCIAL SYSTEMS

Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions Supervision, Regulation and Insurance continued hearings on Reform of the Nation's Banking and Financial Systems. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OSHA OVERSIGHT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health and Safety concluded oversight hearings on OSHA. Testimony was heard from John A. Pendergrass, Assistant Secretary, OSHA, Department of Labor.

STUDENT LOAN DEFAULTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education held a hearing to examine the issue of student loan defaults. Testimony was heard from William Gainer, Associate Director, GAO; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Held a hearing on U.S. Foreign Policy. Testimony was heard from George P. Shultz, Secretary of State.

UNITED STATES-SOVIET RELATIONS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe and the Middle East held a hearing on United States-Soviet Relations: Political and Social Change in the Soviet Union. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing one hour of debate on H.R. 3396, to provide for the rehiring of certain former air traffic controllers. Testimony was heard from Chairman Ford and Representative Molinari.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

FURNISH DOCUMENT TO HOUSE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session and ordered reported unfavorably. H. Res. 339, directing the Director of Central Intelligence to furnish a certain document to the House of Representatives.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Select Committee on Children, Youth, and Families: Met and approved pending committee business.

Wednesday, February 3, 1988

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Two bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2031-2032, and S.J. Res. 250.

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Measures Passed:

Extension of Health Block Grant Program: Senate passed S. 1579, to amend the Public Health Service Act, to revise and extend the block grant program, after agreeing to a committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Employee Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Act: Senate passed S. 1726, to amend the Public Health Service Act, to promote employee health and disease prevention.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By a unanimous vote of 97 yeas (Vote No. 16), Anthony M. Kennedy, of California, to be Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

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Robert H. Edmunds, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina.

Jesse R. Jenkins to be United States Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—16)

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Recess: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and recessed at 5:21 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Thursday, February 4, 1988. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of Senator Byrd in today's Record on page 774.)

Committee Meetings

NOMINATION

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Wendy L. Gramm, of Texas, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Inouye and Bentsen, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NATO

Committee on Armed Services: Committee continued hearings on NATO force deficiencies and improvements, receiving testimony from General Carl E. Vuono, USA, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; Admiral Carlisle A.H. Trost, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; General Alfred M. Gray, Jr., USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps; and General Larry D. Welch, USAF, Chief of Staff, U.S. Air Force.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee continued hearings to review recent developments in the securities markets, focusing on events surrounding the stock market crash of 1987, and on proposals for structural and regulatory reforms, receiving testimony from David S. Ruder, Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission; and Kalo A. Hineman, Acting Chairman, Commodities Futures Trading Commission.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee began consideration of proposed legislation relating to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

FEDERAL JUDICIARY BUILDING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Water Resources, Transportation, and Infrastructure concluded hearings on S. 1934, to authorize construction and leasing of a proposed building to house agencies of the Judicial Branch of the government, after receiving testimony from George M. White, Architect of the Capitol; L. Ralph Mecham, Director, and Raymond A. Karam, Assistant Director for Administration, both of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts; Warren E. Burger, former Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court; and Elizabeth Rowe, Committee of 100 on the Federal City, and David Sellin, Citizens Planning Coalition, both of Washington, DC.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of John R. Davis, Jr., of California, to be U.S. Ambassador to Poland, Chester E. Norris, Jr., of Maine, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Leonard H.O. Spearman, Sr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda, Richard S. Williamson, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, and two foreign service promotion lists received by the Senate on January 26, 1988.

INF TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued hearings on the Treaty Between the United States and the USSR on the Elimination of Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range Missiles (Treaty Doc. No. 100-11), receiving testimony from General John R. Galvin, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. European Command; Richard R. Burt, U.S. Ambassador to Federal Republic of Germany; Alton G. Keel, Jr., U.S. Representative on the Council of NATO; and Evan G. Galbraith, former U.S. Ambassador to France.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Labor and Human Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1904, to limit the use of lie detector examinations by employers involved in or affecting interstate commerce, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Thomas G. Pownall, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation, Esther K. Everett, of New York, and Helen J. Valerio, of Massachusetts, each to be a Member of the National Advisory Council on Women's Educational Programs, Carolynn-Reid Wallace, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities, and Robert L. McElrath, of Tennessee, and J. Wade Gilley, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the National Advisory Council on Educational Research and Improvement.

COMMITTEE BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee continued hearings to receive testimony from Senators, as indicated, in support of resolutions requesting funds for operating expenses of their respective committees, as follows:

Foreign Relations: (S. Res. 356—\$2,438,915) Senator Pell;

Labor and Human Resources: (S. Res. 373—\$4,581,000) Senator Hatch;

Budget: (S. Res. 371—\$3,027,546) Senators Chiles and Domenici;

Small Business: (S. Res. 366—\$983,492) Senators Bumpers and Weicker;

Appropriations: (S. Res. 369—\$4,119,856) Senators Stennis and Hatfield;

Environment and Public Works: (S. Res. 363—\$2,381,014) Senators Burdick and Stafford.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to discuss pending committee business, but made no announcements.

INF TREATY

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed joint hearings with the Committee on Armed Services on U.S. monitoring and verification capabilities with respect to the Treaty Between the United States and the USSR on the Elimination of Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range Missiles (Treaty Doc. 100-11), receiving testimony from William Webster, Director of Central Intelligence.

Hearings continue on Tuesday, February 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3895-3907; 2 private bills, H.R. 3908 and 3909; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 447-450, H. Con. Res. 242, and H. Res. 354-359 were introduced.

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Bill Reported: One report was filed as follows: H.R. 1803, to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, amended (H. Rept. 100-501).

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Journal: By a yea-and-nay vote of 275 yeas to 118 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 5, the House approved the Journal of Tuesday, February 2.

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Contra Aid: By a recorded vote of 211 yeas to 219 noes, Roll No. 7, the House failed to pass H.J. Res. 444, relating to Central America pursuant to H.J. Res. 395 of the One Hundredth Congress.

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District Work Period: House agreed to H. Con. Res. 242, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House from February 9 to February 16, 1988, and for a conditional adjournment of the Senate from February 4 or 5 to February 15, 1988.

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Railroad Safety: House passed S. 1539, to amend the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970.

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Agreed to the Thomas A. Luken motion to strike all after the enacting clause of S. 1539, and insert in lieu thereof the language of H.R. 3743 as passed by the House.

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Agreed to amend the title of the Senate bill.

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House then insisted on its amendments to S. 1539, and asked a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Dingell, Thomas A. Luken, Slattery, Lent, and Whittaker.

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Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week: House passed H.J. Res. 402, to designate the week of February 7-13, 1988, as "National Child Passenger Safety Awareness Week".

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call, one yea-and-nay vote, and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages 775, 899, 908.

Adjournment: Met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:20 a.m., February 4.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to continue hearings on fiscal year 1989 Defense Budget. Testimony was heard from Adm. Ronald J. Hays, USN, Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Command.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE REORGANIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Investigations continued hearings on the implementation of the Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986. Testimony was heard from Louis J. Rodrigues, Associate Director, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO.

Hearings continue February 17.

GAO REPORT—OCTOBER 1987 CRASH

Committee on Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Financial Institutions Supervision, Regulation and Insurance held a hearing to review a GAO report entitled "Financial Markets—Preliminary Observations on the October 1987 Crash." Testimony was heard from Richard L. Fogel, Assistant Comptroller General, GAO.

OVERSIGHT—AIDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Held an oversight hearing on education on Acquired Immune Deficiency (AIDS) in elementary and secondary schools. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services: Dennis D. Tolsma, M.P.H., Director, Center for Health Promotion and Education; Lloyd J. Kolbe, Chief, Office of School Health and Special Projects; Dr. Peter Drotman, Medical Epidemiologist; and Jack T. Jones, M.P.H., Program Coordinator, School Health Education to Prevent the Spread of AIDS; and public witnesses.

STUDENT LOAN DEFAULTS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Postsecondary Education concluded hearings to examine the issue of student loan defaults. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RECENT VOLATILITY IN U.S. AND GLOBAL SECURITIES MARKETS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the practices, instruments and institutional arrangements which may have contributed to or exacerbated the recent volatility in U.S. and global securities markets. Testimony was heard from Emory W. Rushton, Deputy Comptroller, Multinational Banking, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Met and approved pending committee business.

INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Administrative Law and Governmental Relations held a hearing on H.R. 2673, International Child Abduction Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lantos and Dixon; Peter H. Pfund, Assistant Legal Adviser for Private International Law, Department of State; Stephen J. Markman, Assistant Attorney General for Legal Policy, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

MAJOR FRAUD ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action a clean bill to be introduced in lieu of H.R. 3500, Major Fraud Act of 1987.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine approved for full Committee action amended the following bills: H.R. 1430, to authorize decorations, medals, and other

recognition for service in the United States merchant marine; and H.R. 2032, to authorize the conveyance of the Liberty ship *Protector*.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 382, amended, Federal Employees Health Care Freedom-of-Choice Act of 1987; H.R. 925, amended, Family and Medical Leave Act of 1987; H.R. 3689, to designate the U.S. Post Office Building located at 300 Sycamore Street in Waterloo, IA, as the "H.R. Gross Post Office Building"; H.R. 3757, amended, Federal Employees' Leave-Transfer Act of 1987; and S. 1447, to designate Morgan and Lawrence Counties in Alabama as a single metropolitan statistical area.

The Committee also approved pending committee business.

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES' LEAVE-TRANSFER ACT

Committee on the Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Compensation and Employee Benefits approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3757, Federal Employees' Leave-Transfer Act of 1987.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Met and approved pending committee business.

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Thursday, February 4, 1988

Senate**Chamber Action**

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Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2033-2054, S.J. Res. 251-253, and S. Res. 377.

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Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 1889, to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to provide for lease extensions and for other purposes, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 100-283)

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Measures Passed:

Appointment of Commissioner of Food and Drugs: Senate passed H.R. 1226, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, to require the appointment of the Commissioner of Food and Drugs to be subject to Senate confirmation, after